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In re Application of: LENHARD et al.

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed 30 July 2002 in the above referenced patent application. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond to the office action is submitted herewith.

In the Office Action the Examiner acknowledges applicants' election without traverse of Group 1 and withdraws claims 58-71 from consideration. The Examiner also requires new drawings 1-4c, 7-15b, 19-21 and 23a-25b be submitted. Claims 1-57 stand rejected.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Enclosed are substitute drawings 1-25b that were published in International Application No. PCT/US99/10579 on November 25, 1999. The substituted drawings present no new matter.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 58-71 as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

Please cancel claims 28-57 without prejudice

Applicant reserves the right to pursue canceled claims in subsequently filed applications.